

The Hong Kong Mathematical High Achievers Selection Contest

2006 – 2007 Solution

甲部 Part A

1. $\boxed{2007x-1}$

$$x(y+2007) - xy - 1 = 2007x - 1.$$

2. $\boxed{a < -b < b < -a}$

Since $a+b < 0$, then $a < -b$ and $b < -a$.

Since $a < b$ and $ab < 0$, then $a < 0, b > 0$ and $-b < b$.

$$\therefore a < -b < b < -a.$$

3. $\boxed{x+y = -\frac{1}{2}}$

$$\begin{cases} x+y = xy & (1) \\ xy = \frac{x}{y} & (2) \end{cases}$$

From (2), $y^2 = 1$ then $y = \pm 1$ since $x \neq 0$

When $y = 1$, $x+1 = x$ (rejected)

When $y = -1$, $x-1 = x$ and $x = \frac{1}{2}$

\therefore The two numbers are $\frac{1}{2}$ and -1 , then $x+y = \frac{1}{2} - 1 = -\frac{1}{2}$

4. $\boxed{n=6}$

Since $n-5 \geq 0$, $\therefore n$ should be ≥ 5 .

when $n = 5$, $7\sqrt{n-5} - n = 7\sqrt{5-5} - 5 = -5$ (rejected)

when $n = 6$, $7\sqrt{n-5} - n = 7\sqrt{6-5} - 6 = 1$ is accepted.

$$\therefore n = 6$$

5. $\boxed{54}$

The sum of the 5 integers = $77 \times 5 = 385$

sum of the 2 smallest integers = $385 - 97 - 97 - 87 = 104$

the smallest integer = $97 - 47 = 50$

\therefore the second smallest integer = $104 - 50 = 54$

6. $\boxed{x=4 \text{ or } 5}$

case(i): $5x - 16 = 3x - 8$

$$2x = 8$$

$$x = 4$$

case(ii): $5x - 16 = 3x - 6$

$$2x = 10$$

$$x = 5$$

7. $\boxed{168^\circ}$

Since $\triangle APB$ is equilateral, $AP = PB = AB$, $\therefore \angle APB = 60^\circ$.

Since ABCDE is regular, $\angle BAE = 108^\circ$.

$$\therefore \angle PAE = 108^\circ - 60^\circ = 48^\circ$$

Since $AE = AB = BC = AP = PB$,

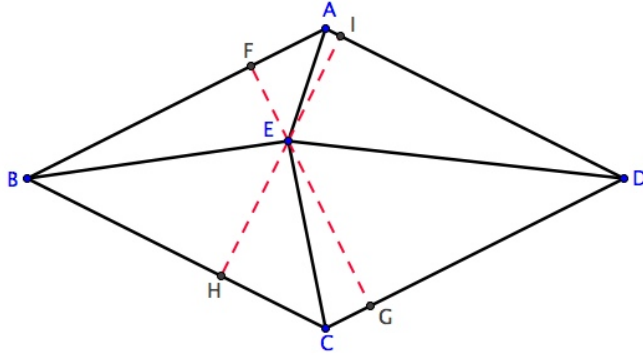
$\therefore \triangle APE$ and $\triangle BPC$ are isosceles,

$$\therefore \angle APE = \angle BPC = (180^\circ - 48^\circ) / 2 = 66^\circ.$$

$$\therefore \angle CPE = 360^\circ - 66^\circ - 60^\circ - 66^\circ = 168^\circ$$

8. $\boxed{14 \text{ cm}^2}$

As shown in the figure, we consider the altitudes of the 4 triangles drawn from the common vertex E. They should lie on two straight lines through E and the sums $FE + EG$ and $IE + EH$ should be equal. We can therefore prove that the sum of areas of each pair of opposite triangles should be half of that of the rhombus.



\therefore The area of $\triangle DAE = 22 + 10 - 18 = 14 \text{ cm}^2$

9. $\boxed{a = 2}, \boxed{b = 11}$

Since $a^2 + b^2 = 125$ and b is odd, then a must be even.

$\therefore a = 2$ since 2 is the only even prime number.

$\therefore b = \sqrt{125 - 2^2} = 11.$

10. $\boxed{500}$

Since $10 = 2 \times 5$ and number of multiples of 2 is more than multiples of 5, then we may count the number of factor 5 in

$2007! = 2007 \times 2006 \times 2005 \times \dots \times 3 \times 2 \times 1$ to get the answer.

$2007!$ has $\left[\frac{2007}{5} \right] + \left[\frac{2007}{25} \right] + \left[\frac{2007}{125} \right] + \left[\frac{2007}{625} \right]$ factors of 5.

$\therefore 2007!$ has $401 + 80 + 16 + 3 = 500$ trailing zeros.

11. $\boxed{\frac{3}{2}}$

$$\begin{cases} 2a^2 + 2007a + 3 = 0 \dots\dots(1) \\ 3b^2 + 2007b + 2 = 0 \dots\dots(2) \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} 2a + \frac{3}{a} = -2007 \\ 3b + \frac{2}{b} = -2007 \end{cases}$$

$$(1) - (2): \quad 2a + \frac{3}{a} - 3b - \frac{2}{b} = 0$$

$$(2a - 3b) \left(1 - \frac{1}{ab} \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad ab = 1 \text{ (rejected)}$$

Alternative method:

Put $x = \frac{1}{b}$ into $2x^2 + 2007x + 3 = 0$,

$$LHS = 2\left(\frac{1}{b}\right)^2 + 2007\left(\frac{1}{b}\right) + 3 = \frac{1}{b^2}(2 + 2007b + 3b^2) = 0 = RHS$$

$\therefore a$ and $\frac{1}{b}$ are roots of $2x^2 + 2007x + 3 = 0$,

\therefore product of roots = $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3}{2}$

12. 5 cm

$$(2r)^2 = (16 - 2r)^2 + (18 - 2r)^2$$

$$r^2 - 34r + 145 = 0$$

$$(r - 5)(r - 29) = 0$$

$$r = 5 \quad \text{or} \quad r = 29(\text{rejected})$$

13. $\frac{26}{3} \text{ cm}^2$

Let $DE = x$ cm and $AE = EC = (6 - x)$ cm

In $\triangle AD'E$,

$$4^2 + x^2 = (6 - x)^2$$

$$16 + x^2 = 36 - 12x + x^2$$

$$12x = 20$$

$$x = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\therefore \text{Area of } \triangle AD'E = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{5}{3} \right) (4) = \frac{10}{3} \text{ cm}^2$$

Since $\triangle AD'E \cong \triangle ABF$

\therefore Area of $ABFE =$ Area of $AD'EF =$ Area of $CBFE$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 6 = 12 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of } \triangle AEF = 12 - \frac{10}{3} = \frac{26}{3} \text{ cm}^2$$

14. 3, 5, 7

$$abc = 7(a + b + c)$$

since a, b and c are prime, so one of a, b, c should be 7.

w.l.g. put $a = 7$, then $bc = 7 + b + c$

$$\therefore c = \frac{b+7}{b-1}$$

when $b = 3$, then $c = 5$.

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15. the number of rooms = 7

the total number of students = 58

$$9(x - 1) \leq 4x + 30 < 9x$$

$$9x - 9 \leq 4x + 30 \quad \text{and} \quad 4x + 30 < 9x$$

$$x \leq 7.8 \quad \text{and} \quad x > 6$$

$$\therefore x = 7$$

\therefore the number of rooms = 7

\therefore the total number of students = $4 \times 7 + 30 = 58$

16. 4 cm^2

The pyramid $E-ABCD$ consists of 5 faces: a square and 2 pairs of congruent right triangles. If the area of a square face of the cube is 1 sq unit, then areas of triangle ABE and BCE are $1/2$ and $\sqrt{2}/2$ sq. units respectively. Surface area of pyramid $E-ABCD = 1 + 2(1/2) + 2(\sqrt{2}/2) = 2 + \sqrt{2}$.

The pyramid $E-ACD$ consists of 2 pairs of congruent right triangular faces, the areas of which are $1/2$ (for triangles ACD and ADE) and $\sqrt{2}/2$ (for triangle CDE and CAE). Its surface area is therefore $1 + \sqrt{2}$.

The ratio of the surface areas of pyramid $E-ABCD$ to pyramid $E-ACD$

$$= \frac{2 + \sqrt{2}}{1 + \sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2} + 1)}{(1 + \sqrt{2})} = \sqrt{2}.$$

Surface area of pyramid $E-ABCD = \sqrt{8} \times \sqrt{2} = 4$.

17. $PD = 11$

Draw $EF \parallel AD \parallel BC$,

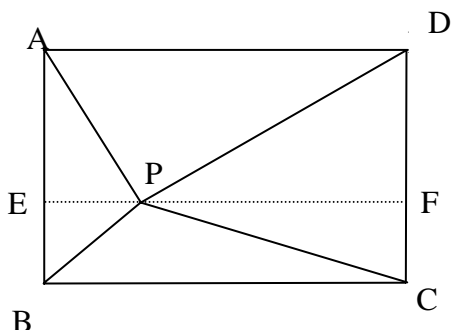
$$PA^2 - AE^2 = PB^2 - BE^2$$

$$PD^2 - DF^2 = PC^2 - CF^2$$

Hence $PA^2 - PD^2 = PB^2 - PC^2$

Or $PD^2 = PA^2 + PC^2 - PB^2$
 $= 5^2 + 10^2 - 2^2 = 11^2$

Hence $PD = 11$.



18. $75, 84, 93, 102, 111, 120, 129, 138, 147, 156$

$$\begin{aligned} S &= (10a + b) + (10c + d) + (10e + f) \\ &= 10(a + c + e) + (b + d + f) \\ &\equiv a + b + c + d + e + f \pmod{9} \\ &\equiv 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 \equiv 3 \pmod{9}. \end{aligned}$$

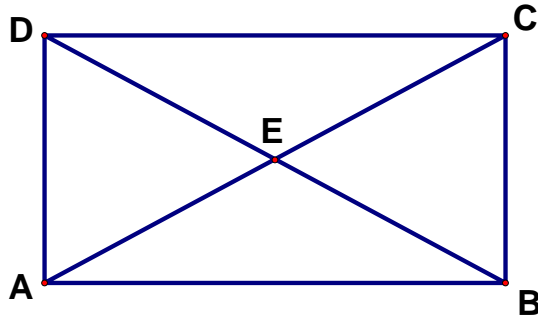
The smallest value for S is $75 = 14 + 25 + 36$, and the largest value for S is $156 = 63 + 52 + 41$.

The possible candidates are the ten numbers from 75 to 156 that are congruent to 3 modulo 9. It is not hard to check that all ten numbers are attainable sums.

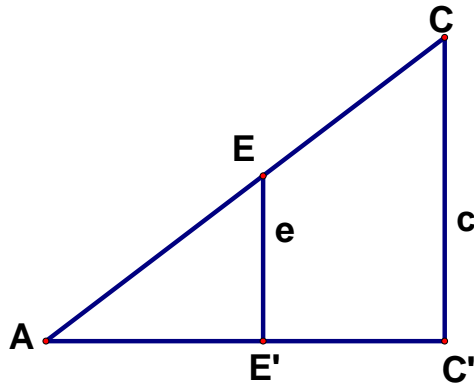
[There are 120 possible groups of three such numbers and. So it is too time-consuming to calculate all attainable sums in this way.]

乙部 Part B

- 19 According to the property of rectangle, E is the mid-point of both line segments AC and DB.

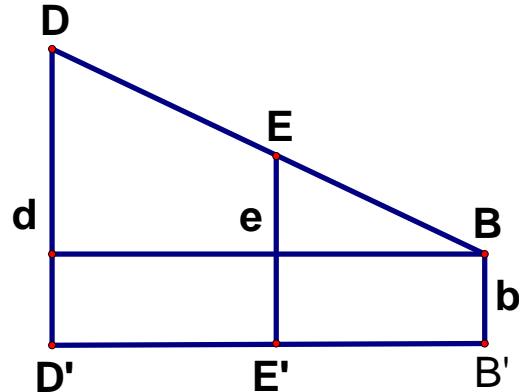


From the side view,



$\therefore AE = EC$ and $EE' \parallel CC'$
 $\therefore AE' = E'C'$ (intercept theorem)
 and $EE' = CC'$ (mid-point theorem)

i.e. $e = \frac{c}{2}$



$\therefore DE = EB$ and $EE' \parallel DD' \parallel BB'$
 $\therefore D'E' = E'B'$ (intercept theorem)
 and $d - b = 2(e - b)$ (mid-point theorem)

Substituting $e = \frac{c}{2}$ into the above equation
 we have $c = b + d$

20. 5

We need to know in which ‘segment’ the 2007th digit falls. In the string of ‘segments’ 1, 2, 3, . . . , 9, there are $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + 9 = 45$ digits. In the string that follows, with ‘segments’ 10, 11, . . . , 44, there are $2 \times (10 + 11 + \dots + 44) = 1890$ digits. The string with ‘segment’ 45 that follows has $2 \times 45 = 90$ digits. Since $45 + 1890 < 2007 < 45 + 1890 + 90$, we see that the 2007th digit falls in the ‘segment’ 45. Because $2007 - 45 - 1890 = 72$ is even, the digit in the 2007th position is 5. (To estimate in which ‘segment’ the 2007th digit falls, we look at $45 + 2 \times (n + 10)(n - 10 + 1)/2 \approx 2007$, which gives $n^2 \approx 2052$, so $n \approx 45$.)

21. (i) $m = n = 1$, or
(ii) $m > 1$ and n is even, or
(iii) $n > 1$ and m is even.
For any other m, n , it is not possible to do so.

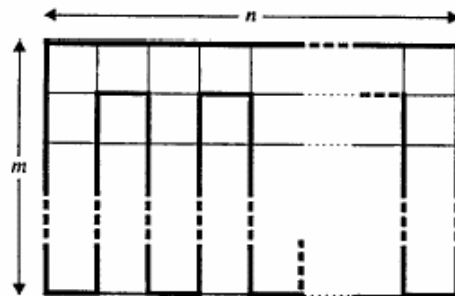
Remark:

If $m = n = 1$, then it is trivially possible.

If ($m = 1$ and $n > 1$) or ($m > 1$ and $n = 1$), then it is clearly impossible.

If $m, n > 1$ and one of m, n is even, then it is possible as shown in the figure.

(In the figure, n is taken to be even.)



Suppose $m > 1$, $n > 1$, m and n are both odd. Denote the number of moves to the left, right, up, and down by l , r , u and d respectively. If it is possible to visit each house just once and return to the starting point, then

$l + r + u + d = mn$, which is odd. But, to return to the starting point, $l = r$ and $u = d$, so this is impossible.